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Fill in this information to identify your case:		
United States Bankruptcy Court for the:		
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS	_	
Case number (if known)	_ Chapter you are filing under:	
	☐ Chapter 7	
	☐ Chapter 11	
	☐ Chapter 12	
	■ Chapter 13	Check if this an amended filing

Official Form 101

Voluntary Petition for Individuals Filing for Bankruptcy

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The bankruptcy forms use you and Debtor 1 to refer to a debtor filing alone. A married couple may file a bankruptcy case together—called a *joint case*—and in joint cases, these forms use you to ask for information from both debtors. For example, if a form asks, "Do you own a car," the answer would be yes if either debtor owns a car. When information is needed about the spouses separately, the form uses *Debtor 1* and *Debtor 2* to distinguish between them. In joint cases, one of the spouses must report information as *Debtor 1* and the other as *Debtor 2*. The same person must be *Debtor 1* in all of the forms.

Be as complete and accurate as possible. If two married people are filing together, both are equally responsible for supplying correct information. If more space is needed, attach a separate sheet to this form. On the top of any additional pages, write your name and case number (if known). Answer every question.

Pa	rt 1: Identify Yours	elf	
		About Debtor 1:	About Debtor 2 (Spouse Only in a Joint Case):
1.	Your full name		
	Write the name that	is on Taiwo	
	your government-iss picture identification example, your driver	(for	First name
	license or passport)		Middle name
	Bring your picture	Adeyingbo	
	identification to your meeting with the trus		Last name and Suffix (Sr., Jr., II, III)
2.	All other names yo	u have	
	used in the last 8 ye		
	Include your married maiden names.	l or	
3.	Only the last 4 digit your Social Securit number or federal Individual Taxpaye Identification numb (ITIN)	y xxx-xx-4100 r	

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Debtor 1 Taiwo Adeyingbo

About Debtor 1: About Debtor 2 (Spouse Only in a Joint Case): Any business names and **Employer Identification** Numbers (EIN) you have I have not used any business name or EINs. ☐ I have not used any business name or EINs. used in the last 8 years Include trade names and Business name(s) Business name(s) doing business as names EINs EINs Where you live If Debtor 2 lives at a different address: 3850 Dewey Ave Richton Park, IL 60471 Number, Street, City, State & ZIP Code Number, Street, City, State & ZIP Code Cook County County If your mailing address is different from the one If Debtor 2's mailing address is different from yours, fill it above, fill it in here. Note that the court will send any in here. Note that the court will send any notices to this notices to you at this mailing address. mailing address. Number, P.O. Box, Street, City, State & ZIP Code Number, P.O. Box, Street, City, State & ZIP Code Why you are choosing Check one: Check one: this district to file for bankruptcy Over the last 180 days before filing this petition, I Over the last 180 days before filing this petition, have lived in this district longer than in any other I have lived in this district longer than in any district. other district. I have another reason. I have another reason. Explain. (See 28 U.S.C. § 1408.) Explain. (See 28 U.S.C. § 1408.)

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Case number (if known) Debtor 1 **Taiwo Adeyingbo**

Par	Tell the Court About	our Ba	ankruptcy Ca	se				
7.	The chapter of the Bankruptcy Code you are			rief description of each, see Λ go to the top of page 1 and ch			. § 342(b) for Individu	uals Filing for Bankruptcy
	choosing to file under	☐ Chapter 7						
		☐ Ch	napter 11					
		☐ Ch	napter 12					
		■ Cł	napter 13					
8.	How you will pay the fee	_	about how you	entire fee when I file my per u may pay. Typically, if you ar attorney is submitting your pa	e paying	the fee yourself, yo	ou may pay with cash	, cashier's check, or money
				the fee in installments. If yo	ou choose	e this option, sign a	and attach the Applica	ation for Individuals to Pay
			The Filing Fee	e in Installments (Official Form	103A).			
		_	but is not requapplies to you	t my fee be waived (You may uired to, waive your fee, and n r family size and you are unal n to Have the Chapter 7 Filing	nay do so ble to pay	only if your income the fee in installm	e is less than 150% on ents). If you choose t	of the official poverty line that his option, you must fill out
9.	Have you filed for bankruptcy within the last 8 years?	□ No						
				Northern District of IL,				.=
			District	Eastern Division	When	12/11/15	Case number	15-41880
			District		When		Case number	
			District		When		Case number	
10.	Are any bankruptcy cases pending or being	■ No						
	filed by a spouse who is not filing this case with you, or by a business partner, or by an affiliate?	☐ Ye	S.					
			Debtor				Relationship to y	ou
			District		When		Case number, if	
			Debtor				Relationship to y	
			District		When		Case number, if	known
11.	Do you rent your residence?	■ No	Go to li	ne 12.				
	residence:	☐ Ye	s. Has you	ur landlord obtained an eviction	n judgm	ent against you and	d do you want to stay	in your residence?
				No. Go to line 12.				
				Yes. Fill out <i>Initial Statement</i> bankruptcy petition.	About ar	n Eviction Judgmen	t Against You (Form	101A) and file it with this

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Document Page 4 of 18 Case number (if known) Debtor 1 Taiwo Adeyingbo Part 3: Report About Any Businesses You Own as a Sole Proprietor 12. Are you a sole proprietor of any full- or part-time No. Go to Part 4. business? Name and location of business ☐ Yes. A sole proprietorship is a business you operate as Name of business, if any an individual, and is not a separate legal entity such as a corporation. partnership, or LLC. Number, Street, City, State & ZIP Code If you have more than one sole proprietorship, use a separate sheet and attach it to this petition. Check the appropriate box to describe your business: Health Care Business (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(27A)) Single Asset Real Estate (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(51B)) Stockbroker (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(53A)) Commodity Broker (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(6)) None of the above 13. Are you filing under If you are filing under Chapter 11, the court must know whether you are a small business debtor so that it can set appropriate Chapter 11 of the deadlines. If you indicate that you are a small business debtor, you must attach your most recent balance sheet, statement of operations, cash-flow statement, and federal income tax return or if any of these documents do not exist, follow the procedure Bankruptcy Code and are you a small business in 11 U.S.C. 1116(1)(B). debtor? I am not filing under Chapter 11. No. For a definition of small business debtor, see 11 I am filing under Chapter 11, but I am NOT a small business debtor according to the definition in the Bankruptcy □ No. U.S.C. § 101(51D). I am filing under Chapter 11 and I am a small business debtor according to the definition in the Bankruptcy Code. ☐ Yes. Part 4: Report if You Own or Have Any Hazardous Property or Any Property That Needs Immediate Attention 14. Do you own or have any ■ No. property that poses or is ☐ Yes. alleged to pose a threat of imminent and What is the hazard? identifiable hazard to public health or safety? Or do you own any If immediate attention is property that needs needed, why is it needed?

Number, Street, City, State & Zip Code

Where is the property?

immediate attention?

For example, do you own perishable goods, or livestock that must be fed,

or a building that needs urgent repairs?

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Part 5:

Explain Your Efforts to Receive a Briefing About Credit Counseling

 Tell the court whether you have received a briefing about credit counseling.

The law requires that you receive a briefing about credit counseling before you file for bankruptcy. You must truthfully check one of the following choices. If you cannot do so, you are not eligible to file.

If you file anyway, the court can dismiss your case, you will lose whatever filing fee you paid, and your creditors can begin collection activities again.

About Debtor 1:

You must check one:

I received a briefing from an approved credit counseling agency within the 180 days before I filed this bankruptcy petition, and I received a certificate of completion.

Attach a copy of the certificate and the payment plan, if any, that you developed with the agency.

□ I received a briefing from an approved credit counseling agency within the 180 days before I filed this bankruptcy petition, but I do not have a certificate of completion.

Within 14 days after you file this bankruptcy petition, you MUST file a copy of the certificate and payment plan, if any.

I certify that I asked for credit counseling services from an approved agency, but was unable to obtain those services during the 7 days after I made my request, and exigent circumstances merit a 30-day temporary waiver of the requirement.

To ask for a 30-day temporary waiver of the requirement, attach a separate sheet explaining what efforts you made to obtain the briefing, why you were unable to obtain it before you filed for bankruptcy, and what exigent circumstances required you to file this case.

Your case may be dismissed if the court is dissatisfied with your reasons for not receiving a briefing before you filed for bankruptcy. If the court is satisfied with your reasons, you must still receive a briefing within 30 days after you file. You must file a certificate from the approved agency, along with a copy of the payment plan you developed, if any. If you do not do so, your case may be dismissed.

Any extension of the 30-day deadline is granted only for cause and is limited to a maximum of 15 days.

 ☐ I am not required to receive a briefing about credit counseling because of:

☐ Incapacity.

I have a mental illness or a mental deficiency that makes me incapable of realizing or making rational decisions about finances.

□ Disability.

My physical disability causes me to be unable to participate in a briefing in person, by phone, or through the internet, even after I reasonably tried to do so.

☐ Active duty.

I am currently on active military duty in a military combat zone.

If you believe you are not required to receive a briefing about credit counseling, you must file a motion for waiver credit counseling with the court.

About Debtor 2 (Spouse Only in a Joint Case):

You must check one:

□ I received a briefing from an approved credit counseling agency within the 180 days before I filed this bankruptcy petition, and I received a certificate of completion.

Attach a copy of the certificate and the payment plan, if any, that you developed with the agency.

☐ I received a briefing from an approved credit counseling agency within the 180 days before I filed this bankruptcy petition, but I do not have a certificate of completion.

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My physical disability causes me to be unable to participate in a briefing in person, by phone, or through the internet, even after I reasonably tried to do so.

☐ Active duty.

I am currently on active military duty in a military combat zone.

If you believe you are not required to receive a briefing about credit counseling, you must file a motion for waiver of credit counseling with the court.

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Case number (if known) Taiwo Adeyingbo Part 6: **Answer These Questions for Reporting Purposes** Are your debts primarily consumer debts? Consumer debts are defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(8) as "incurred by an 16. What kind of debts do 16a. individual primarily for a personal, family, or household purpose." you have? ☐ No. Go to line 16b. Yes. Go to line 17. 16b. Are your debts primarily business debts? Business debts are debts that you incurred to obtain money for a business or investment or through the operation of the business or investment. ■ No. Go to line 16c. ☐ Yes. Go to line 17. 16c. State the type of debts you owe that are not consumer debts or business debts 17. Are you filing under I am not filing under Chapter 7. Go to line 18. No. Chapter 7? Do you estimate that I am filing under Chapter 7. Do you estimate that after any exempt property is excluded and administrative expenses ☐ Yes. after any exempt are paid that funds will be available to distribute to unsecured creditors? property is excluded and administrative expenses □ No are paid that funds will □ Yes be available for distribution to unsecured creditors? 18. How many Creditors do 1-49 **1**,000-5,000 **25,001-50,000** you estimate that you **5001-10,000 5**0,001-100,000 50-99 owe? **1**0,001-25,000 ■ More than 100,000 **1**00-199 **200-999** How much do you **\$0 - \$50,000** □ \$1,000,001 - \$10 million □ \$500,000,001 - \$1 billion estimate your assets to □ \$50,001 - \$100,000 □ \$10,000,001 - \$50 million □ \$1,000,000,001 - \$10 billion be worth? □ \$50,000,001 - \$100 million □ \$10,000,000,001 - \$50 billion **\$100,001 - \$500,000** □ \$100,000,001 - \$500 million ☐ More than \$50 billion □ \$500,001 - \$1 million 20. How much do you □ \$1,000,001 - \$10 million □ \$0 - \$50.000 □ \$500,000,001 - \$1 billion estimate your liabilities □ \$50,001 - \$100,000 □ \$10,000,001 - \$50 million □ \$1,000,000,001 - \$10 billion to be? □ \$50,000,001 - \$100 million □ \$10,000,000,001 - \$50 billion **\$100,001 - \$500,000** □ \$100,000,001 - \$500 million ☐ More than \$50 billion □ \$500,001 - \$1 million Part 7: Sign Below For you I have examined this petition, and I declare under penalty of perjury that the information provided is true and correct. If I have chosen to file under Chapter 7, I am aware that I may proceed, if eligible, under Chapter 7, 11,12, or 13 of title 11, United States Code. I understand the relief available under each chapter, and I choose to proceed under Chapter 7. If no attorney represents me and I did not pay or agree to pay someone who is not an attorney to help me fill out this document, I have obtained and read the notice required by 11 U.S.C. § 342(b). I request relief in accordance with the chapter of title 11. United States Code, specified in this petition. I understand making a false statement, concealing property, or obtaining money or property by fraud in connection with a bankruptcy case can result in fines up to \$250,000, or imprisonment for up to 20 years, or both. 18 U.S.C. §§ 152, 1341, 1519, and 3571. /s/ Taiwo Adeyingbo Signature of Debtor 2 Taiwo Adeyingbo Signature of Debtor 1 Executed on August 18, 2016 Executed on MM / DD / YYYY MM / DD / YYYY

Debtor 1

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For your attorney, if you are represented by one

If you are not represented by an attorney, you do not need to file this page. I, the attorney for the debtor(s) named in this petition, declare that I have informed the debtor(s) about eligibility to proceed under Chapter 7, 11, 12, or 13 of title 11, United States Code, and have explained the relief available under each chapter for which the person is eligible. I also certify that I have delivered to the debtor(s) the notice required by 11 U.S.C. § 342(b) and, in a case in which § 707(b)(4)(D) applies, certify that I have no knowledge after an inquiry that the information in the schedules filed with the petition is incorrect.

/s/ Andrew	C. Marzan ARDC	Date	August 18, 2016
Signature of A	ttorney for Debtor		MM / DD / YYYY
Andrew C. I	Marzan ARDC		
Printed name	Marzan ARDO		
	u & Borges, LLC		
Firm name			
105 W. Mad	ison		
23rd Floor			
Chicago, IL	60602		
Number, Street, Ci	ity, State & ZIP Code		
Contact phone	312-853-0200	Email address	notice@billbusters.com
#6316313			
Bar number & Stat	e		

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B2030 (Form 2030) (12/15)

United States Bankruptcy Court Northern District of Illinois

In re	Taiwo Adeyingbo		Case No.		
		Debtor(s)	Chapter	13	_
	DISCLOSURE OF COMPEN	NSATION OF ATTO	RNEY FOR DE	CBTOR(S)	
C	cursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 329(a) and Fed. Bankr. P. 2016(compensation paid to me within one year before the filing e rendered on behalf of the debtor(s) in contemplation of	g of the petition in bankruptcy	, or agreed to be paid	to me, for services rendered or to	
	For legal services, I have agreed to accept		\$	4,000.00	
	Prior to the filing of this statement I have received		\$	1,500.00	
	Balance Due		\$	2,500.00	
2. \$	310.00 of the filing fee has been paid.				
3. 1	he source of the compensation paid to me was:				
	■ Debtor □ Other (specify):				
4. Т	The source of compensation to be paid to me is:				
	■ Debtor □ Other (specify):				
5. I	I have not agreed to share the above-disclosed compe	ensation with any other persor	n unless they are mem	pers and associates of my law firm	n.
ļ	☐ I have agreed to share the above-disclosed compensa copy of the agreement, together with a list of the nan				
5 .]	n return for the above-disclosed fee, I have agreed to rea	nder legal service for all aspec	cts of the bankruptcy c	ase, including:	
b c	 Analysis of the debtor's financial situation, and render Preparation and filing of any petition, schedules, state Representation of the debtor at the meeting of credito [Other provisions as needed] Exemption planning; preparation and filing of motions pursuant to 11 USC 	ement of affairs and plan whic rs and confirmation hearing, a ng of reaffirmation agree	h may be required; and any adjourned hea ments and applicat	rings thereof;	ì
7. I	by agreement with the debtor(s), the above-disclosed fee Representation of the debtors in any dis			/ proceeding.	
		CERTIFICATION			
	certify that the foregoing is a complete statement of any unkruptcy proceeding.	agreement or arrangement for	or payment to me for re	epresentation of the debtor(s) in	
Α	ugust 18, 2016	/s/ Andrew C. Ma	arzan ARDC		
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		105 W. Madison			
		23rd Floor Chicago, IL 6060	12		
			ax: 312-873-4693		
		Name of law firm	ers.com		
		Name at law tirm			

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Ledford, Wu and Borges, LLC

(312)853-0200 Fax: (312)873-4693

ATTORNEY RETENTION CONTRACT

FOR OFFICE U.E. (13)
Client No. 27679
Responsible attorney Alan
CARA signed? (7)
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1. Parties. In this contract, "Client" means the undersigned, both individually and jointly; "Attorney" means Ledford, Wu & Borg its staff attorneys. This contract shall supersede any prior contracts and agreements between the next of the contract of the	es, LLC and
its staff attorneys. This contract shall supersede any prior contracts and agreements between the parties to the extent of inconsist event of any inconsistency between this contract and a Court-Approved Retention Agreement, the latter shall prevail.	ncy. In the
2. Services: Client retains Attorney for the following services: Chapter 13 bankruptcy (debt adjustment)	
3. Scope of Representation:	
(a) Attorney will counsel and represent Client in all aspects of the above matter(s) for the fee specified in Paragraph 4 EX	CEDT. (1)
adversary proceedings; (2) post-discharge litigation; (3) appeals; (4) other (specify):	CEPI: (1)
(b) Attorney may agree, but is not obligated, to represent Client in the above excluded matters for an additional fee, to be	
separately by the parties.	greed upon
4, Fees:	
Legal fee: \$\(\frac{4000}{\text{000}}\) - PLUS \$310 filing fee (court cost) (an additional Court-Approved Retention Agreement may apply	
□ Expenses: 5 (.A (merged credit report and credit counseling)	ľ
TOTAL: \$ \(40 \cdot \cd	
The legal fee is an advance payment retainer security retainer classic retainer, and is a flat fee unless otherwise state	1 44
is unable to represent Client without receiving an advance payment retainer since a security retainer will be within the reach	a. Auorney
creditors. Should hourly billing be necessary, Attorney's billing rates are \$300-\$400/hour for partners, \$250/hour for associates, a	of Chent's
for law clerks. The filing fee and expenses are subject to change at any time. The billing rates are subject to an annual review a	id 590/nour
increase every calendar year.	nd potential
The legal fee covers the initial consultation and all subsequent work. The case may be closed if the fees are not paid by the delitional legal fees are not	e deadline
Additional legal lees may apply if the parties have entered into a Court-Approved Retention Agreement and such Agreement so a	thorives or
if the case is converted from one chapter to another. Additional court costs may apply for amending a petition, list, schedule or sta	ement nost
filing or other reasons not due to Attorney's fault. NSF checks will be assessed a \$20 fee.	omeni post-
5. Initial Consultation. Client acknowledges that Attorney has explained the following (please initial):	
The options of Chapter 7 and Chapter 13 and that Client has made the choice identified in Paragraph 2	
The concepts of exemption, discharge and dischargeability, and pre-filing and post-filing procedures	
The difference among various types of retainer and that Client has made the choice identified in Paragraph 4	
A Chapter 13 plan will be submitted to the Court in good faith. The plan payment may have to increase if creditor cla	ms come in
righer than scheduled, creditors successfully argue that they are entitled to a higher interest rate, the Trustee success	ully arques
that the budgeted income is lower than actual income, the Trustee successfully argues that budgeted expenses are u	reasonably
nigh or the Court makes a finding that the plan is not the best effort you can make to repay your creditors	·
V TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE. Any delay on Client's part may disqualify Client for the type of relief elected c	otherwise
adversely affect Client's case. Attorney may not be able to file the case, or take other necessary actions, until a	requested
aocuments and/or information, including but not limited to a certificate of credit counseling, are received by Attorney	4
Other (specify):	
Client understands that the advice given during the initial consultation is preliminary and based on the information available at the	e time, and
may change as the case is further analyzed, more facts discovered, or Client's circumstances or the law changed.	
6. Client's Duties. Client agrees, during the course of representation, to:	
(a) provide Attorney with full, accurate and timely information, financial and otherwise;	
(b) follow Attorney's procedures and cooperate with Attorney in providing requested documents and information;	
c) promptly inform Attorney of any change of address, phone number, e-mail address or employment, or activation of military dut	:
(u) morm Attorney before buying, selling, refinancing or transferring any real property in which Client has any interest, and before	e incurring
any new debt, including but not limited to applying for an auto loan, personal loan, payday loan or title loan, applying for a cr	dit card or
inic of credit, or using an existing credit card or line of credit; and	
(e) promptly inform Attorney if Client becomes entitled to an inheritance, an asset as a result of a property settlement agreement w	th Client's
spouse of a divorce decree, life insurance proceeds, or a monetary judgment, award or settlement.	
7. Co-counsel. Client understands that more than one attorney may work on this case. Where necessary, Client agrees to emp	ov outside
counsel, at Attorney's expense, to work on this case, including: Kathleen W. Vaught, Kelly M. Johnson, David Carter, or Christing F	union

8. Termination. Client may discharge Attorney at any time, subject to payment of any fee owed for the services already rendered. Attorney may terminate the representation as permitted by the Illinois Rules of Professional Conduct and Local Bankruptcy Rules. Any fit fee for a bankruptcy case is advance payment for future services, becomes Attorney's property upon receipt, and is nonrefundable upon fling of the petition. In the event the representation is terminated by either party before filing and Client has paid Attorney more than \$300, A torney will provide Client with a detailed itemization of the services rendered in support of any fee charged at the rate set forth in Paragraph 4, and Client will reimburse Attorney for any expenses, including those that otherwise would be free of charge, and authorizes Attorney to apply the filing fee and any payment for expenses that have not been incurred towards the attorney's fee, subject to the requirements set forth herein.

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CONSULTATION AGREEMENT

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THIS AGREEMENT IS REQUIRED BY FEDERAL LAW (11 U.S.C. § 528(a))

- 1. Parties: In this contract, "Client" means the undersigned, both individually and jointly; "Attorney" means the law firm of Ledford, Wu & Borges, LLC and its staff attorneys.
- 2. Purpose: Client has requested the opportunity to consult with and obtain information and advice from Attorney concerning options for relief from debts, which may include filing bankruptcy. This agreement is for purpose of that consultation only.
- 3. Client's Duties: In order for Attorney to give meaningful advice. Client agrees to give accurate, honest, full and fair

disclosure of financial information concerning income over the past three years from all sources, monthly living expenses, the type and amount of all debts (including names and addresses of all creditors), all assets and property owned by the client, wherever located and by whomever held, and any additional information determined by Attorney to be relevant.				
4. Services: The attorney agrees to provide Client with the following services:				
a. analyzing Client's financial circumstances based on information provided by Client;				
b. to the extent possible, advising Client of bankruptcy options and non-bankruptcy options based on the information provided by Client;				
 if Client has not provided Attorney with sufficient information upon which to fully advise Client on Client's options, informing Client what additional information Client needs to provide in order to enable Attorney to provide such advice and information; 				
d. where applicable, advising Client of the requirements placed upon Client to file a bankruptcy; and				
e. to the extent possible, quoting a fee for providing bankruptcy and/or nonbankruptcy assistance to Client				
5. Fees (check one):				
A consultation fee will be waived if Client decides not to retain Attorney, in which case the attorney-client relationship shall terminate at the conclusion of the interview				
Client agrees to pay \$ in nonrefundable consultation fee				
In the event Client decides to retain Attorney, this consultation becomes billable and is covered by the legal fee charged for the case, and a new written contract, as well as a Court-Approved Retention Agreement if applicable, must be signed by Client and Attorney, which shall supersede this agreement. The new agreement(s) will also provide a detailed explanation of the parties' obligations and a breakdown of the costs.				
6. Acknowledgement: Client acknowledges that the first date upon which Attorney provided any bankruptcy assistance to Client is the date noted above, and that Attorney provided Client with a copy of this agreement and the disclosure and information mandated by Section 527(b) of the Bankruptcy Code.				
x_Date: 08/18/204				
Attorney Signature: ARDC #: 631637				

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES AGREEMENT BETWEEN CHAPTER 13 DEBTORS AND THEIR ATTORNEYS (Court-Approved Retention Agreement, revised as of March 15, 2011)

Chapter 13 gives debtors important rights, such as the right to keep property that could otherwise be lost through repossession or foreclosure—but Chapter 13 also puts burdens on debtors, such as the burden of making complete and truthful disclosures of their financial situation. It is important for debtors who file a Chapter 13 bankruptcy case to understand their rights and responsibilities in bankruptcy. In this connection, the advice of an attorney is often crucial. Debtors are entitled to certain services from by their attorneys, but debtors also have responsibilities to their attorneys. In order to assure that debtors and their attorneys understand their rights and responsibilities in the Chapter 13 process, the judges of the Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Illinois have approved the following agreement, setting out the rights and responsibilities of both debtors in Chapter 13 and their attorneys. By signing this agreement, debtors and their attorneys accept these responsibilities.

BEFORE THE CASE IS FILED

THE DEBTOR AGREES TO:

- 1. Discuss with the attorney the debtor's objectives in filing the case.
- 2. Provide the attorney with full, accurate and timely information, financial and otherwise, including properly documented proof of income.

THE ATTORNEY AGREES TO:

- 1. Personally counsel the debtor regarding the advisability of filing either a Chapter 13 or a Chapter 7 case, discuss both procedures (as well as non-bankruptcy options) with the debtor, and answer the debtor's questions.
- 2. Personally explain to the debtor that the attorney is being engaged to represent the debtor on all matters arising in the case, as required by Local Bankruptcy Rule and explain how and when the attorney's fees and the trustee's fees are determined and paid.
- 3. Personally review with the debtor and sign the completed petition, plan, statements, and schedules, as well as all amendments thereto, whether filed with the petition or later. (The schedules may be initially prepared with the help of clerical or paralegal staff of the attorney's office, but personal attention of the attorney is required for the review and signing.)
- 4. Timely prepare and file the debtor's petition, plan, statements, and schedules.
- 5. Explain to the debtor how, when, and where to make all necessary payments, including both payments that must be made directly to creditors and payments that must be made to the Chapter 13 trustee, with particular attention to housing and vehicle payments.

6. Advise the debtor of the need to maintain appropriate insurance.

AFTER THE CASE IS FILED

THE DEBTOR AGREES TO:

- 1. Make the required payments to the trustee and to whatever creditors are being paid directly, or, if required payments cannot be made, to notify the attorney immediately.
- 2. Appear punctually at the meeting of creditors (also called the "341 meeting") with recent proof of income and a picture identification card. (If the identification card does not include the debtor's social security number, the debtor will also bring to the meeting a social security card.) The debtor must be present in time for check-in and when the case is called for the actual examination.
- 3. Notify the attorney of any change in the debtor's address or telephone number.
- 4. Inform the attorney of any wage garnishments or liens or levies on assets that occur or continue after the filing of the case.
- 5. Contact the attorney immediately if the debtor loses employment, has a significant change in income, or experiences any other significant change in financial situation (such as serious illness, marriage, divorce or separation, lottery winnings, or an inheritance).
- 6. Notify the attorney if the debtor is sued or wishes to file a lawsuit (including divorce).
- 7. Inform the attorney if any tax refunds to which the debtor is entitled are seized or not received when due from the IRS or Illinois Department of Revenue.
- 8. Contact the attorney before buying, refinancing, or selling real property, and before entering into any loan agreement.
- 9. Supply the attorney with copies of all tax returns filed while the case is pending.

THE ATTORNEY AGREES TO:

- 1. Advise the debtor of the requirement to attend the meeting of creditors, and notify the debtor of the date, time, and place of the meeting.
- 2. Inform the debtor that the debtor must be punctual and, in the case of a joint filing, that both spouses must appear at the same meeting.
- 3. Provide knowledgeable legal representation for the debtor at the meeting of creditors (in time for check-in and the actual examination) and, unless excused by the trustee, for the confirmation hearing.

- 4. If the attorney will be employing another attorney to attend the 341 meeting or any court hearing, personally explain to the debtor in advance, the role and identity of the other attorney and provide the other attorney with the file in sufficient time to review it and properly represent the debtor.
- 5. Timely submit to the Chapter 13 trustee properly documented proof of income for the debtor, including business reports for self-employed debtors.
- 6. Timely respond to objections to plan confirmation and, where necessary, prepare, file, and serve an amended plan.
- 7. Timely prepare, file, and serve any necessary statements, amended statements and schedules and any change of address, in accordance with information provided by the debtor.
- 8. Monitor all incoming case information (including, but not limited to, Order Confirming Plan, Notice of Intent to Pay Claims, and 6-month status reports) for accuracy and com-pleteness. Contact the trustee promptly regarding any discrepancies.
- 9. Be available to respond to the debtor's questions throughout the term of the plan.
- 10. Prepare, file, and serve timely modifications to the plan after confirmation, when necessary, including modifications to suspend, lower, or increase plan payments.
- 11. Prepare, file, and serve necessary motions to buy or sell property and to incur debt.
- 12. Object to improper or invalid claims.
- 13. Timely respond to the Chapter 13 trustee's motions to dismiss the case, such as for payment default, or unfeasibility, and to motions to increase the percentage payment to unsecured creditors.
- 14. Timely respond to motions for relief from stay.
- 15. Prepare, file, and serve all appropriate motions to avoid liens.
- 16. Provide any other legal services necessary for the administration of the case.

ALLOWANCE AND PAYMENT OF ATTORNEYS' FEES

1. Any attorney retained to represent a debtor in a Chapter 13 case is responsible for representing the debtor on all matters arising in the case unless otherwise ordered by the court. For all of the services outlined above, the attorney will be paid a fee of

\$4,000.00.

Prior to signing this agreement the attorney has received \$, leaving a balance due of \$ In extraordinary circumstances, such as extended evidentiary hearings or appeals, the attorney may apply to the court for additional compensation for these services. Any such application must be accompanied by an itemization of the services rendered, showing the date, the time expended, and the identity of the attorney performing the services. The debtor must be served with a copy of the application and notified of the right to appear in court to object.

- 2. Early termination of the case. Fees payable under the provisions set out above are not refundable in the event that the case is dismissed, unless the dismissal is due to a failure by the attorney to comply with the duties set out in this agreement. If a dismissal is due to such a failure by the attorney, the court may order a refund of fees on motion by the debtor.
- 3. Retainers. The attorney may receive a retainer or other payment before filing the case, but may not receive fees directly from the debtor after the filing of the case. Unless the following provision is checked and completed, any retainer received by the attorney will be treated as a security retainer, to be placed in the attorney's client trust account until approval of a fee application by the court.

Any retainer received by the attorney will be treated as an advance payment, allowing the attorney to take the retainer into income immediately. The reason for this treatment is the following:

In any application for fees, whether or not requiring an itemization, the attorney shall disclose to the court any fees paid by the debtor prior to the case filing.

- 4. Improper conduct by the attorney. If the debtor disputes the sufficiency or quality of the legal services provided or the amount of the fees charged by the attorney, the debtor may file an objection with the court and request a hearing.
- 5. Improper conduct by the debtor. If the attorney believes that the debtor is not complying with the debtor's responsibilities under this agreement or is otherwise not engaging in proper conduct, the attorney may apply for a court order allowing the attorney to withdraw from the case.
- 6. Discharge of the attorney. The debtor may discharge the attorney at any time.

Date:	
Signed:	
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	Attorney for Debtor(s)

Debtor(s)

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